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In re Application of
BRAUN
Application No.: 10/569,313
PCT No.: PCT/EP04/09350
Int. Filing Date: 20 August 2004
Priority Date: 20 August 2003
Attorney Docket No.: 06-144
For: WOODEN MATERIAL PANEL
COMPRISING A SOFT PLASTIC LAYER

DECISION ON

DECLARATION

This is a decision on applicants' declaration, filed on 23 March 2007 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

On 21 February 2006, at the expiration of thirty month period (20 February 2006 was a holiday), applicant filed a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the United States accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee along with a declaration identifying one inventor Roger Braun.

A review of the published international application PCT/EP04/09350 reveals that Roger Braun and Uwe Kottmann were identified as the joint inventors. However, a review of the International Bureau (IB) documents reveals that on 14 February 2006, the IB issued a Notification of the Recording of A Change (Form PCT/IB/306) removing Uwe Kottmann as an applicant/inventor for the United States under PCT Rule 92bis.1.

Since there is this indication that Uwe Kottmann was removed by the International Bureau under PCT Rule 92bis as a co-inventor, it is proper to accept the declaration identifying Roger Braun as a sole inventor. The declaration executed by Roger Braun as a sole inventor in the above referenced application is acceptable and in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b).

The application will be forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office for further processing.


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